

DECLARATION IN COPENDING APPLICATION CONTAINING  
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NO.: M-95-3195 -U.20-CIP

I, the below-named inventor, hereby declare that:  
My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;  
that I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor if only one name is listed below,  
or a joint inventor if plural inventors are named below, of the invention entitled:  
"Improvements In A Modular ... Extraction Of Fruit Juices"  
which is described and claimed in the attached specification;  
that this application in part discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in my earlier filed  
pending applications:

See SCHEDULE A Attached

that I specifically acknowledge my duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 CFR  
§ 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the filing date  
of this continuation-in-part application which discloses and claims subject matter in addition  
to that disclosed in the prior application (37 CFR § 1.63(d)). I was aware of this duty before  
I signed the "Declaration And Power Of Attorney - Original Application," originally filed with  
the application.

that I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the  
examination of this application;

that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims;  
that as to the subject matter of this application which is common to said earlier application, I  
do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United States of  
America before my or our invention thereof or patented or described in any printed  
publication in any country before my or our invention thereof, or more than one year prior to  
said earlier application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than  
one year prior to said earlier application;

that the common subject matter has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's  
certificate issued before the date of said earlier application in any country foreign to the  
United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns  
more than twelve months prior to said earlier application; and

as to applications for patents or inventor's certificate on the common subject matter filed in any  
country foreign to the United States of America, prior to said earlier application by me or my  
legal representatives or assigns,

( ) no such applications have been filed, or

☒ such applications have been filed as follows:

EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY, FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO SAID EARLIER APPLICATION

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (DAY, MO., YR.)	DATE OF ISSUE (DAY, MO., YR.)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC 119
BRAZIL	See SCHEDULE A Attached			YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO ( )
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that as to the subject matter of this application which is not common to said earlier applica-  
tion, I do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United  
States of America before my or our invention thereof or patented or described in any printed  
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one year prior to this application;

that said non-common subject matter has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's  
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States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more  
than twelve months prior to this application; and

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POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. (list name and registration no.)		
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.		
SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR	SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR	SIGNATURE OF INVENTOR
		
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"IMPROVEMENTS IN A MODULAR FRUIT JUICE EXTRACTION  
SYSTEM and CONFIGURATION FOR A SELF-CLEANING FILTER FOR  
THE EXTRACTION OF FRUIT JUICE"

This application is a continuation-in-part  
application of previous applications by the same inventor  
bearing:

- 1) U.S. Serial No. 08/647,066 filed May 9, 1996,  
(which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119 based on  
Brazilian Application No. PI-9502244-9 filed June 19,  
1995), now U.S. Patent No, 5,655,441 issued August 12,  
1997;
- 2) U.S. Serial No. 08/681,627 filed July 29, 1996,  
(which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119 based on  
Brazilian Application No. MI-5501198-5 filed August 1,  
1995) now U.S. Patent No, 5,720,218 issued February 24,  
1998;
- 3) U.S. Serial No. 08/681,626 filed July 29, 1996,  
(which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119 based on  
Brazilian Application No. MU-7501779-2 filed August 1,  
1995);
- 4) U.S. Serial No. 08/759,723 filed December 6,  
1996, (which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119  
based on Brazilian Application No. MU-7502784-4 filed  
December 8, 1995);
- 5) U.S. Serial No. 08/759,722 filed December 6,  
1996, (which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119  
based on Brazilian Application No. MU-7502785-2 filed  
December 8, 1995) now U.S. Patent No, 5,720,219 issued  
February 24, 1998;
- 6) U.S. Serial No. 08/759,727 filed December 6,  
1996, (which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119  
based on Brazilian Application No. MU-7502786-0 filed  
December 8, 1995);
- 7) U.S. Serial No. 08/763,679 filed December 11,  
1996, (which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119  
based on Brazilian Application No. MU-7502994-4 filed  
December 15, 1995);

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8) U.S. Serial No. 08/884,529 filed June 27, 1997, (which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119 based on Brazilian Applications No. PI-9502218-0 filed June 12, 1995; No. PI-9502244-9 filed June 19, 1995; No. MI-5501197-7 filed August 1, 1995; No. MI-5501198-5 filed August 1, 1995; No. MI-5501199-3 filed August 1, 1995; No. MU-7501779-2 filed August 1, 1995; No. MU-7501780-6 filed August 1, 1995; No. MU-7501781-4 filed August 1, 1995; No. PI-9503518-4 filed August 1, 1995; No. MU-7501563-3 filed August 7, 1995; No. PI-9503109-0 filed August 7, 1995; No. MI-5501053-9 filed August 7, 1995; No. MI-5501976-5 filed December 8, 1995; No. MU-7502784-4 filed December 8, 1995; No. MU-7502785-2 filed December 8, 1995; No. MU-7502786-0 filed December 8, 1995; and, No. MU-7502994-4 filed December 15, 1995);

9) U.S. Serial No. 09/028,187 filed February 23, 1998, (which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119 based on Brazilian Applications No. PI-9502218-0 filed June 12, 1995; No. PI-9502244-9 filed June 19, 1995; No. MI-5501197-7 filed August 1, 1995; No. MI-5501198-5 filed August 1, 1995; No. MI-5501199-3 filed August 1, 1995; No. MU-7501779-2 filed August 1, 1995; No. MU-7501780-6 filed August 1, 1995; No. MU-7501781-4 filed August 1, 1995; No. PI-9503518-4 filed August 1, 1995; No. MU-7501563-3 filed August 7, 1995; No. PI-9503109-0 filed August 7, 1995; No. MI-5501053-9 filed August 7, 1995; No. MI-5501976-5 filed December 8, 1995; No. MU-7502784-4 filed December 8, 1995; No. MU-7502785-2 filed December 8, 1995; No. MU-7502786-0 filed December 8, 1995; and, No. MU-7502994-4 filed December 15, 1995);

10) U.S. Serial No. 09/377,936 filed August 20, 1999, (which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119 based on all of the applications in Items 1 - 9 above); and,

11) U.S. Serial No. 09/377,937 filed August 20, 1999, (which claims priority, under 35 U.S. Code § 119 based on all of the applications in Items 1 - 9 above).

Applicant or Patentee: Carlos MENDES Neto Attorney's  
Serial or Patent No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Docket  
Filed or Issued: \_\_\_\_\_ No.: M-95-3195-U.20-CIP  
For: "Improvements In A Modular ... Extraction Of Fruit Juices"

VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled same as "For" above, described in

- (X) the specification filed herewith.  
( ) application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
( ) patent no. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_.

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern, or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

- (X) no such person, concern or organization.  
( ) persons, concerns or organizations listed below:\*


\*NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27).

FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) INDIVIDUAL ( ) SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN ( ) NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

<u>Carlos MENDES Neto</u>		
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<u>11 July 2000</u>		
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